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Topic: **Pilot Nunavut Food Price Survey**
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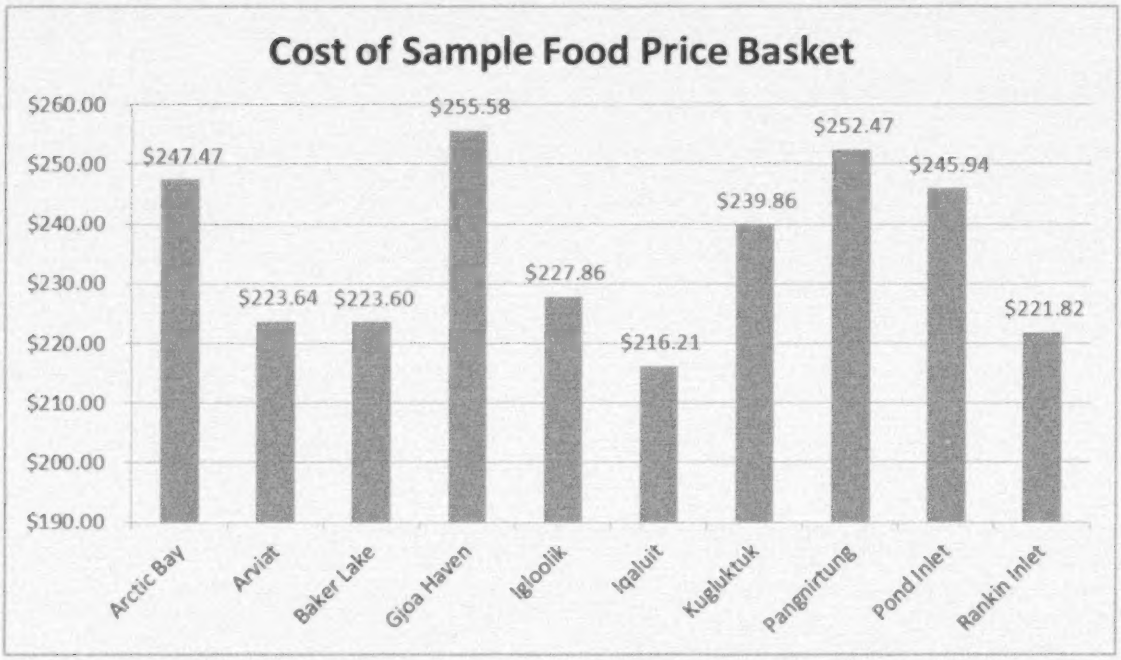
Background: In March and April 2013, a pilot food price survey was conducted across 11 Nunavut communities (10 of which returned usable data). In a comparison of 28 combined food items, Iqaluit has the lowest overall food cost in the territory at **$216.21**. Gjoa Haven is the highest of the communities surveyed at **$255.58** - **18%** higher than Iqaluit.

Details:



Notes:

1. This food basket was developed by choosing 28 items from the survey which reported reliable results across all communities. This is not an official food basket, but rather a tool for overall price comparison between communities.
2. The 28 Items in the Food Basket are: Fresh Milk (2%-2L), Margarine (454g), Eggs (12 Large), Celery (1kg), Mushrooms (1kg), Potatoes (4.54kg), Carrots (1kg), Bananas (1kg), Orange (1kg), Baked Beans (398ml), Canned Tomatoes (796ml + 540ml), Soda Crackers (450g), Soup (284ml), Ground Beef (1kg), Bacon (500g), Pork Chop (1kg), Canned Salmon (213g), Hot Dogs (450g, Bread (675g), Frozen Corn (750g), Spaghetti Noodles (500g), Oatmeal (1kg), Rice (907g), Pilot Biscuits (850g), Flour (10kg), French Fries (1kg), and Frozen Dinners (455g).

For the complete table showing a sample food basket for Nunavut communities and others on comparing food prices between the pilot communities and with the rest of Canada visit the Nunavut Bureau of Statistics Website at: http://www.stats.gov.nu.ca/en/home.aspx